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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR TRACKING ITEMS  
USING A DISTRIBUTED INFRASTRUCTURE**

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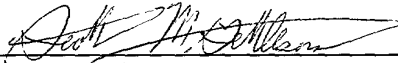
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